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TO AMEMBASSY TRIPOLI

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SUBJECT: US-LIBYAN RELATIONS

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1. LIBYAN CHARGE CALLED AT DEPARTMENT DECEMBER 23 JUST PRIOR TO CHARGE'S DEPARTURE SAME DAY FOR TRIPOLI TO ATTEND NATIONAL CONFERENCE (SEE REFTEL). GASHUT TELEPHONED ON AFTERNOON DECEMBER 22 TO REQUEST APPOINTMENT WITH UNDER SECRETARY SISCO. IN VIEW OF SHORTNESS OF NOTICE AND UNAVAILABILITY SENIOR BUREAU OFFICERS, DECISION WAS MADE TO RECEIVE CHARGE AT DESK LEVEL.

2. CHARGE REFERRED TO DEMARCHES OF PAST YEAR FOR BETTER BILATERAL RELATIONS AND TO SPECIFIC REQUESTS (E.G., MILITARY SALES, AGREEMENT). HE NOTED THAT USG HAD NOT GIVEN POSITIVE RESPONSES LARG DESIRED ON THESE ISSUES. AND SPOKE AT LENGTH ABOUT OUTSTANDING REQUEST FOR LIFTING RESTRICTION ONSIZE OF LIBYAN MISSION HERE. DEPTOFF REPLIED THAT THERE WAS NO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE IN USG POSITION OUTLINED BY ASSISTANT

SECRETARY ATHERTON IN JULY: THE DESIRE FOR IMPROVED
RELATIONS IS RECIPROCATED BUT CHANGE IS NOT POSSIBLE SO
LONG AS LARG CONTINUES ACTIVE OPPOSITION TO US EFFORTS
ACHIEVE MIDDLE EAST SETTLEMENT. IT WAS EXPLAINED THAT

LARG REQUESTS HAD NOT BEEN TURNED DOWN, BUT CONTINUED TO
BE UNDER CONSIDERATION. CHARGE DID NOT PRESS THE MATTER
ALTHOUGH HE APPEARED DISAPPOINTED. KISSINGER

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